

## **Notice of Acceptance of Nominations for Acute Care Hospital Pharmacist Board of Pharmacy Commissioner**

The State of Maryland is soliciting nominations to fill an *Acute Care Hospital Pharmacist* vacancy on the Maryland Board of Pharmacy. The Maryland Board of Pharmacy is comprised of ten (10) pharmacist Commissioners and two non-pharmacist (2) consumer Commissioners. A Commissioner may be appointed to a total of two consecutive four-year terms. Commissioners' terms are staggered and Maryland statute requires the Board of Pharmacy to notify all licensed pharmacists and other interested parties when vacancies occur or four-year terms are scheduled to end. In addition, the Board must provide contact information for groups to which letters of interest may be submitted by eligible individual interested in being considered for nomination to the Board.

Maryland law delineates specific categories of representation for the 12 Board seats. Consumer representatives are appointed by the Governor to the Board with the advice of the Secretary and the consent of the Senate. Pharmacist representatives are appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, from lists submitted by the appropriate association. The requirements for appointment to the Board are as follows:

### **PHARMACIST APPOINTEES (10)**

Maryland Resident  
Licensed Maryland pharmacist  
In good standing with the Board  
Skilled and competent  
Possesses at least five years of professional experience

### **CONSUMER APPOINTEES (2)**

Maryland Resident  
May not have been a pharmacist  
May not have a pharmacist in the household  
May not have participated in pharmacy field  
May not have had a substantial financial interest in a person regulated by the Board within two years prior to the appointment

The Acute Care Hospital Commissioner category will be open for nominations for the first term that began May 1, 2011 will end April 30, 2015. ). Candidates for consideration must practice primarily in an acute care hospital pharmacy at the time of appointment. Eligible licensed pharmacists who wish to be considered for nomination to the Acute Care Hospital Pharmacist seat should provide a letter of interest along with completed *Nomination Biographic* and *Appointee Disclosure Exemption* forms no later than August 12, 2013 to:

**MSHP: Attention Sara Neiswanger, 800 SW Jackson Street, Ste. 1500, Topeka, KS 66612**  
**Phone: 785-271-0208      Fax: 785.271.0166      Email: [sara@centrichq.com](mailto:sara@centrichq.com)**

The two forms required with submissions of interest are available from the MSHP Association or the Board's web site at: <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/pharmacy/SitePages/about-the-board.aspx>.

The Governor shall appoint the acute care hospital pharmacist member with the advice of the Secretary, from a list of names submitted to the Secretary and the Governor from the Maryland Society of Health-System Pharmacists (MSHP).

See: Health Occupations §12-202 of the Annotated Code of Maryland for more information